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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

AMERICAN GENERAL ASSURANCE
COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

V.

GRACIELA M. LOPEZ,

Defendant.

Defendant.

On July 27, 2006, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Settlement in which it states "[the parties have] settled their claims against each other . . ." In accordance with Local Rule 16-160(b), a dispositional document shall be filed no later than August 16, 2006. Failure to respond by this deadline may be construed as consent to dismissal of this action without prejudice, and a dismissal order could be filed. See L.R. 16-160(b) ("A failure to file dispositional papers on the date prescribed by the Court may be grounds for sanctions.").

The pretrial conference scheduled for August 7, 2006, is rescheduled to commence at 1:30 p.m. on September 18, 2006, in the event no dispositional document is filed, or if this action is not

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otherwise dismissed. Further, a joint pretrial statement shall be filed seven days prior to the conference. The trial date remains unchanged.

/s/ Garland E. Burrell, Jr.

United States District Judge

GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 28, 2006

The pretrial conference is scheduled because the mere representation that an action has been settled does not justify removal of the action from a district court's trial docket. Cf. Callie v. Near, 829 F.2d 888, 890 (9th Cir. 1987) (indicating that a representation that claims have been settled does not necessarily establish the existence of a binding settlement agreement).